



NEBRASKA STATE ACCOUNTABILITY ALTERNATE ASSESSMENT

Grade 3 Reading

Nebraska State Accountability assessments are administered by the Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) – 301 Centennial Mall South – P.O. Box 94987 – Lincoln, Nebraska 68509 – (402) 471-2295.

Directions:

The following pages are samples of the Grade 3 Nebraska State Accountability (NeSA) Alternate Assessment Reading teacher's manual and student test. They are designed to provide a practice opportunity for students taking the NeSA-AAR.

Tests are given in a one student - one adult (teacher or trained para-educator) setting. The test administrator must follow the instructions and script in the manual. However, they may use professional discretion in the wording of directions if adaptations ensure student understanding of the question. Detailed descriptions of pictures may also be necessary for students with visual disabilities.

Accommodations written in the student's IEP and included in student instruction are allowed. Accommodations might include, but are not limited to: visual/presentation accommodations (e.g. enlarge pictures, display pictures on a screen, cut pictures apart), response accommodations, setting accommodations, and timing/scheduling accommodations.

The NeSA-AAR does not provide manipulatives for each test. However manipulatives/ objects are allowable if that strategy/support is a normal part of the student's instruction and written in the student's IEP.

The student's primary mode of communication is always recognized, accommodated, and provided.

ADMINISTRATOR'S TEST BOOK

Item 1 Indicator LA 3.1.5a Word Structure	
Prepare	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Place Student Test Page 1 in front of student.</i>• <i>Call student's attention to the passage.</i>
SAY	Read these words. <i>"blue car"</i>
ASK	What color is the car? <i>Call student's attention to and read the answers.</i> blue, red, yellow

STUDENT'S TEST BOOK

NeSA ALTERNATE ASSESSMENT Item # 1 Word Structure	Reading - Grade 3
<p style="text-align: center;">blue car</p> <p>(1) blue</p> <p>(2) red</p> <p>(3) yellow</p>	

blue car

blue


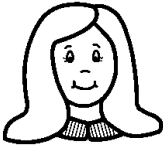


red

yellow

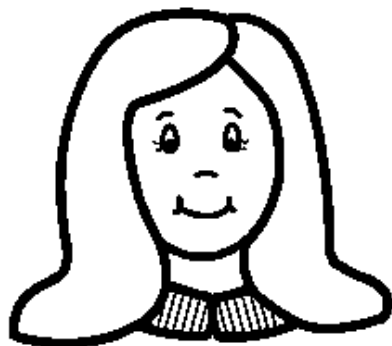
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Item 2 Indicator LA 3.1.6b Narrative Text	
Prepare	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Place <i>Student Test Page 2</i> in front of student. Call student's attention to the passage.
SAY	Read this sentence. <i>"The man sat."</i>
ASK	Who is this story about? Call student's attention to and read the answers. woman, boy, man

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NeSA ALTERNATE ASSESSMENT Item # 2 Narrative Text		Reading - Grade 3
<div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 40px;"> <p>The man sat.</p>  </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>woman (1)</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>boy (2)</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>man (3)</p> </div> </div>		

The man sat.



woman



boy

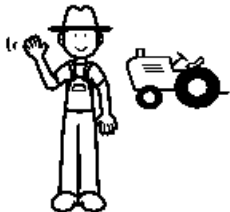

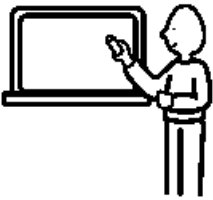


man

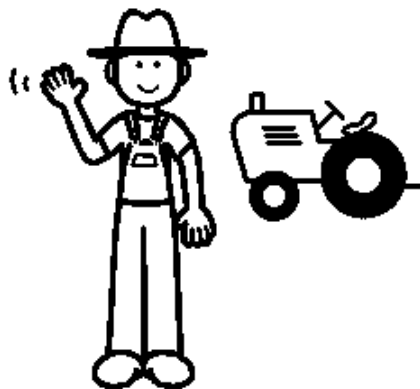
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Item 3 Indicator LA 3.1.6j Generate/Answer Questions	
Prepare	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Place <i>Student Test Page 3</i> in front of student. Call student's attention to the passage.
SAY	Follow along as I read this story. Jim is a farmer. He has cows and chickens. Jim also has pigs.
ASK	What is Jim's job? <i>Call student's attention to and read the answers</i> farmer, pilot, teacher

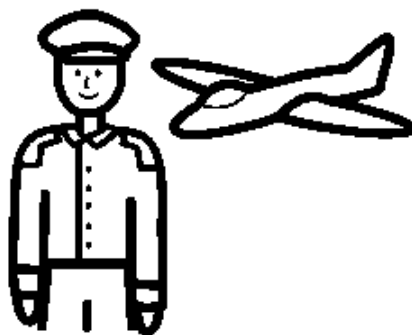
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NeSA ALTERNATE ASSESSMENT Item # 3 Generate/Answer Questions		Reading - Grade 3
<p>Jim is a farmer. He has cows and chickens. Jim also has pigs.</p>		
 <p>farmer (1)</p>	 <p>pilot (2)</p>	 <p>teacher (3)</p>

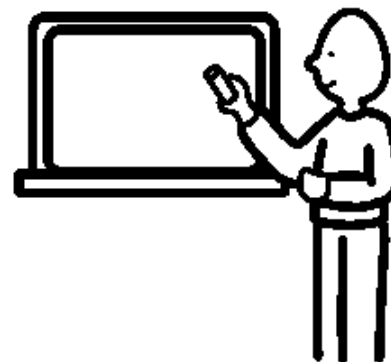
Jim is a farmer.
He has cows and chickens.
Jim also has pigs.



farmer



pilot




teacher

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Item 4 Indicator LA 3.1.5c Context Clues	
Prepare	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Place Student Test Page 4 in front of student.</i>• <i>Call student's attention to the items on the page</i>
SAY	Look at these three things.
ASK	Which one is a picture?

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NeSA ALTERNATE ASSESSMENT Item # 4 Context Clues	Reading - Grade 3
<div><div>house</div><div>(1)</div></div> <div><div>h</div><div>(2)</div></div> <div><div></div><div>(3)</div></div>	

Context Clues

house

h

